

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of	)	<b>MAIL STOP NEW APPLICATION</b>
Sidem Pharmat al.	)	
Application No.: Unassigned	)	Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Filed: December 22, 2005	)	Examiner: Unassigned
For: MONOHYDRATED SODIUM SALT	)	Confirmation No.: Unassigned
OF S-TENATOPRAZOLE AND THE	)	
USE THEREOF IN THERAPY	)	
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3.

**Remarks** begin on page 6.